



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

July 15, 1999

Roger Moffatt, Treasurer
D.C. Republican Committee
Federal Campaign Committee
600 Pennsylvania Ave, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

RE: MUR 4908

Dear Mr. Moffatt:

On July 9, 1999, the Federal Election Commission found that there is reason to believe the D.C. Republican Committee Federal Campaign Committee ("Committee") and you, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(i) and (iii) provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). The Factual and Legal Analysis, which formed a basis for the Commission's finding, is attached for your information.

You may submit any factual or legal materials that you believe are relevant to the Commission's consideration of this matter. Please submit such materials to the General Counsel's Office within 15 days of your receipt of this letter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath. In the absence of additional information, the Commission may find probable cause to believe that a violation has occurred and proceed with conciliation.

In order to expedite the resolution of this matter, the Commission has also decided to offer to enter into negotiations directed towards reaching a conciliation agreement in settlement of this matter prior to a finding of probable cause to believe. Enclosed is a conciliation agreement that the Commission has approved.

If you are interested in expediting the resolution of this matter by pursuing preprobable cause conciliation, and if you agree with the provisions of the enclosed agreement, please sign and return the agreement, along with the civil penalty, to the Commission. In light of the fact that conciliation negotiations, prior to a finding of probable cause to believe, are limited to a maximum of 30 days, you should respond to this notification as soon as possible.

Requests for extensions of time will not be routinely granted. Requests must be made in writing at least five days prior to the due date of the response and specific good cause must be demonstrated. In addition, the Office of the General Counsel ordinarily will not give extensions beyond 20 days.

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please advise the Commission by completing the enclosed form stating the name, address, and telephone number of such counsel, and authorizing such counsel to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. §§ 437g(a)(4)(B) and 437g(a)(12)(A), unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the investigation to be made public.

For your information, we have attached a brief description of the Commission's procedures for handling possible violations of the Act. If you have any questions, please contact J. Michael Lehmann, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,



Scott E. Thomas
Chairman

Enclosures

Factual and Legal Analysis
Procedures
Designation of Counsel Form
Conciliation Agreement

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FACTUAL AND LEGAL ANALYSIS

RESPONDENT: D.C. Republican Committee Federal Campaign MUR 4908
Committee and Roger Moffat, as treasurer

This matter was generated pursuant to information ascertained by the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(2).

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, ("Act") requires treasurers of political committees to file periodic reports of receipts and disbursements. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(1). In any calendar year in which a regularly scheduled election is held, political committees, other than authorized committees of candidates, shall file quarterly reports no later than the 15th day after the last day of each calendar quarter except that the report for the quarter ending on December 31 of such calendar year shall be filed no later than January 31 of the following calendar year. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(i). Political committees must also file a post-general election report no later than the 30th day after the general election, which shall be complete as of the 20th day after such election. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(iii).

Respondent D.C. Republican Committee Federal Campaign Committee is a political committee within the meaning of 2 U.S.C. § 431(4). Respondent Roger Moffatt is the treasurer of D.C. Republican Committee Federal Campaign Committee.

Pursuant to the Act, Respondents were required to file a 30-Day Post-General Report by December 3, 1998 and a Year-End Report by January 31, 1999. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(iii) and (i). They filed a combined 30-Day Post-General and Year-End Report on March 12, 1999.

That Report disclosed receipts totaling \$15,190.00 and disbursements totaling \$8,618.00 during the applicable period.

Based on the foregoing, there is reason to believe that D.C. Republican Committee Federal Campaign Committee and Roger Moffatt, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(iii) and (i).

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